## Public vs. Private Construction Spending Analysis

Yuna Noh

### Agenda

- Interesting patterns in the data
  - ► Clear difference in the amount of spending
  - Seasonality
- Reasons behind the patterns

#### The Data

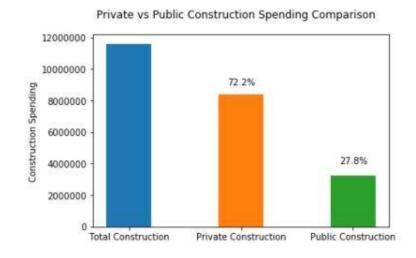
ConstructionTimeSeriesDataV2.csv

- ► Recommendation
  - ► Collect March December, 2014 data

#### Results

- Private spending is much higher than public spending
- Spending is higher during summer season
- ► Highest in 2006 and lowest in 2011

#### **Total Spending Comparison**



Private vs. Public Construction

80000

60000

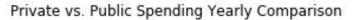
40000

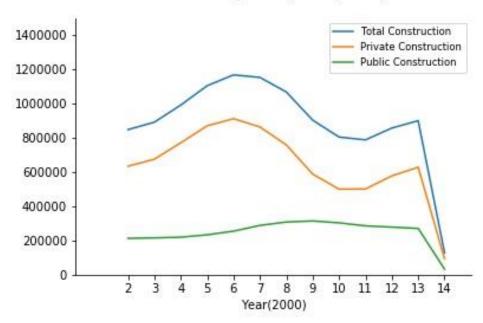
20000

20 40 60 80 100 120 140

- ▶ 72.2% of total spending is private
- Low-bid, low-margin business
  - ► Complex regulations and laws
  - Low number of companies willing to take public jobs
  - Cannot invest too much on unprofitable business
- Seasonality found in both data

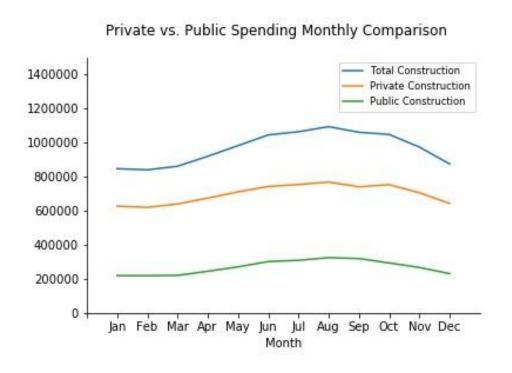
## Yearly Comparison





- Private: Peaks and Valleys
  - ► Early 2006: Housing boom
  - ▶ 2007-08: Housing bubble burst
  - ► Late 2007-11: Great Recession
    - ► Subprime Mortgage Crisis
- Public: relatively steady
- ► 2014 lacks Mar Dec data

#### Monthly Comparison



- Higher spending in summer
  - Summer construction season
  - Limited time to complete projects before winter
  - October in some regions
- Lower spending in winter
  - ▶ Jan, Feb 2014 data included

#### Conclusion

- Private Spending is much higher than Pubic Spending
  - ▶ Public construction: Low-bid, low-margin business
- ► Highest spending during housing boom (2006), and lowest during great recession (2007-2011)

- ► Higher spending in summer, lower spending in winter
- Complete 2014 data collection for further analysis

```
totalsum = sum(df['Total Construction'])
totalprivate = sum(df['Private Construction'])
totalpublic = sum(df['Public Construction'])
print "Sum of Total Construction:", totalsum
print "Total Private Construction:", totalprivate
print "Total Public Construction:", totalpublic

print "Percentage of Private Construction is ", (float(totalprivate)/float(totalsum))*100, "%"
print "Percentage of Public Construction is ", (float(totalpublic)/float(totalsum))*100, "%"
```

Total Private Construction: 8376342
Total Public Construction: 3226390
Percentage of Private Construction is 72.1929292774 %
Percentage of Public Construction is 27.8071913839 %

Sum of Total Construction: 11602718

```
data = [totalsum,totalprivate,totalpublic]
objects = ['Total Construction', 'Private Construction', 'Public Construction']

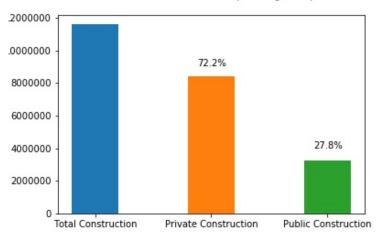
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
total = ax.bar(1,totalsum, 0.4)
private = ax.bar(2, totalprivate,0.4)
public = ax.bar(3, totalpublic, 0.4)

ax.set_xticklabels(objects)
ax.set_xticks([1.0, 2.0, 3.0])
ax.get_yaxis().get_major_formatter().set_scientific(False)
ax.yaxis.set_label_text('Construction Spending')

fig.suptitle('Private vs Public Construction Spending Comparison')
ax.text(1.88,900000,"72.2%")
ax.text(2.88,4000000,"27.8%")

plt.savefig('percentage comparison.jpg')
```

#### Private vs Public Construction Spending Comparison



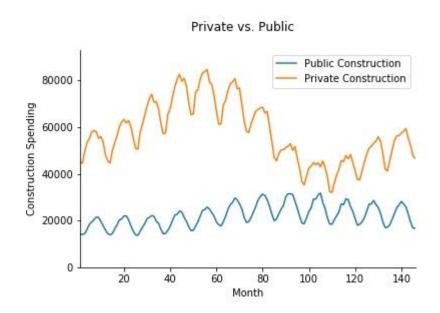
```
x = df.Month
y = df['Public Construction']
y1 = df['Private Construction']

fig, ax = plt.subplots()

ax.plot(x,y,label='Public Construction')
ax.plot(x,y1,label='Private Construction')
ax.xaxis.set_label_text('Month')
ax.yaxis.set_label_text('Construction Spending')
ax.axis([x.min(),x.max(),0,1.1*y1.max()])

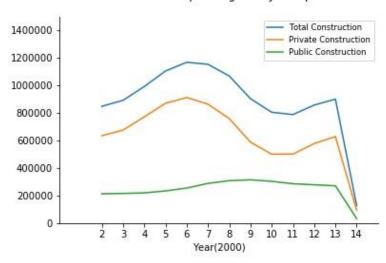
ax.spines['right'].set_visible(False)
ax.spines['top'].set_visible(False)
plt.legend()

fig.suptitle('Private vs. Public')
plt.savefig('public private seasonal.jpg')
```



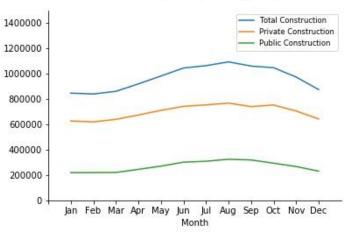
```
total year=[]
private year=[]
public_year=[]
for i in range(0,len(df['Total Construction']),12):
     total year.append(sum(df['Total Construction'][i:i+12:]))
for j in range(0,len(df['Private Construction']),12):
     private year.append(sum(df['Private Construction'][j:j+12:]))
for k in range(0,len(df['Public Construction']),12):
     public year.append(sum(df['Public Construction'][k:k+12:]))
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
x = [2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14]
y = total_year
y1 = private year
y2 = public year
ax.plot(x,y,label='Total Construction')
ax.plot(x,y1,label='Private Construction')
ax.plot(x,y2,label='Public Construction')
ax.spines['right'].set_visible(False)
ax.spines['top'].set visible(False)
ax.legend(loc = 'upper right', prop = {'size':'small'})
ax.set xlim(0,15)
ax.set ylim(0,1500000)
ax.xaxis.set label_text('Year(2000)')
ax.xaxis.set ticks(range(2,15))
ax.xaxis.set ticklabels(x)
ax.xaxis.set tick params(which ='both', top ='off', bottom ='on', labelleft = 'on')
ax.yaxis.set label text('Construction Spending')
ax.yaxis.set_tick_params(which ='both', right ='off', left ='on', labelleft ='on')
fig.suptitle("Private vs. Public Spending Yearly Comparison")
plt.savefig('yearly comparison.jpg')
```

#### Private vs. Public Spending Yearly Comparison



```
1 total month =[]
 2 private month =[]
 3 public month =[]
5 for i in range(12):
       total month.append(sum(df['Total Construction'][i::12]))
7 for i in range(12):
       private month.append(sum(df['Private Construction'][j::12]))
9 for k in range(12):
       public month.append(sum(df['Public Construction'][k::12]))
11
12 fig, ax = plt.subplots()
13 x = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12]
14 x labels = ['', 'Jan', 'Feb', 'Mar', 'Apr', 'May', 'Jun', 'Jul', 'Aug', 'Sep', 'Oct', 'Nov', 'Dec']
15 v = total month
16 y1 = private month
17 y2 = public month
18
19 ax.plot(x,y,label='Total Construction')
20 ax.plot(x,y1,label='Private Construction')
21 ax.plot(x,y2,label='Public Construction')
22 ax.spines['right'].set visible(False)
23 ax.spines['top'].set visible(False)
24 ax.legend(loc = 'upper right', prop = {'size':'small'})
25 ax.set xlim(0,13)
26 ax.set_ylim(0,1500000)
28 ax.xaxis.set label text('Month')
29 ax.xaxis.set ticks(range(0,13))
30 ax.xaxis.set_ticklabels(x labels)
31 ax.xaxis.set tick params(which = both', top = off', bottom = on', labelleft = on')
32
33 ax.yaxis.set label text('Construction Spending')
34 ax.yaxis.set tick params(which ='both', right ='off', left ='on', labelleft ='on')
36 fig.suptitle("Private vs. Public Spending Monthly Comparison")
37 plt.savefig('monthly comparison.jpg')
```

Private vs. Public Spending Monthly Comparison



# Back-up: Yearly and Monthly summation result

	Total	Private	Public
2002	847877	634439	213438
2003	891498	675375	216127
2004	991357	771175	220184
2005	1104136	869978	234160
2006	1167222	911837	255387
2007	1152353	863278	289074
2008	1067565	758826	308738
2009	903201	588308	314895
2010	804562	500596	303968
2011	788015	501609	286407
2012	801284	540319	260964
2013	899948	628517	271434
2014	128029	94474	33555

W.	Total	Private	Public	
Jan	846574	626974	219601	
feb	839785	620040	219746	
Mar	860630	639556	221073	
Apr	919244	673895	245350	
May	981457	710557	270903	
Jun	1044379	742262	302118	
Jul	1063172	753639	309535	
Aug	1092866	767761	325107	
Sep	1059830	740285	319546	
Oct	1047159	752928	294235	
Nov	973204	705589	267617	
Dec	874418	642856	231559	

#### Sources

- http://www.equipmentworld.com/business-matters-government-vs-privatesector-contracting/
- https://www.cbpp.org/research/state-budget-and-tax/its-time-for-states-to-invest-in-infrastructure
- https://www.arvigbusiness.com/5-things-to-know-about-construction-season/
- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United\_States\_housing\_bubble
- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Great\_Recession